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#### Belle Glade sets sights on new city manager

By Brenda Bunting

Belle Glade City Commis-sioners have offered the posi-tion of city manager to Shelton W. Smith of Longwood, Flori-

According to Mayor D. Bill Mathis, if contract negotia-tions go as planned, Mr. Smith will probably start working for the city on March 1.

the city on March 1.
"Everything looks good for him coming to work on March 1," the mayor told the city commission at Monday night's regular city commission meeting. Mr. Smith has 25 years of local government experience and is currently the city admipistrator for the City of Longwood.

He has been the city admin-

istrator there since March of

He has a Bachelor of Science degree from Auburn Universi-ty in Auburn, Alabama and an Master of Public Administra-

Master of Public Administration from Georgia Southern.
University in Statesboro.
He was the county manager
in Troup County, Georgia for
one year and the city manager of Bainbridge, Georgia from 1986 to 1993. He was city
manager of Bainbridge, Georgia from 1977 to 1986 and the
city administrator of Claxton,
Georgia from 1973 to 1977.
Mr. Smith was in the U.S.
Air Force in the early 1970s
and received the rank of capatian. He has also been a vocational agricultural teacher in
Georgia-and Alabamia.

#### Three Glades Central students sign letters of intent Dwight Jackson, a defen-

The Glades Central High School Football Program has announced that three players from the 1998 4-A State Cham-pionship Team will sign na-tional letters of intent. Claude Harriott is a de-fensive & offensive lineage.

fensive & offensive lineman and the Palm Beach Post De-fensive Football Player of the

year.

He was selected as a defensive player in all conference, all area, all district and all state as well as serving as one of the team captains. He has signed a national letter of intent with the University of

all conference as well as a team captain. He has signed a national letter of intent with Western Michigan University. Glades Central student

# joins DC conference

Lucritis A Jackson, a student at Glades Central High School, will travéi to the nation's capital as a participant in the Presidential Classroom Scholars Program, America's premier civit education program. The program runs through this week. Joining hundreds of high school students from across the country and abroad, Ms. Jackson will fake part in seminars presented by leaders representing each branch of government, the military, media and business.

Students are also scheduled or a private tour of the White

all state, all area, all district &

their Senator's and Representatives' offices and a visit to a foreign embassy.

Small group workshops will focus on issues such as media, immigration and juvenile justice. Discussion, and debate will be balanced with visits to Washington's monuments and the Smithsonian museums as 4, well as an evening of political satire with The Capital Steps and a commencement celebraand a commencement celeb

Since 1969, Presidential Classroom has provided more than 78,000 of America's finest students with unprecedented

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He hos s the United States. He has walked and carried d cross over 32,580 miles. Arthur is shown pictures with Carl Seyos, Sales Manager for WSWN R Clads. SUNPHOTO by Debra

#### Cross bearer comes through Belle Glade

By Debra Miller
Staff Reporter
Arthur Blessitt can add
Belle Glade to his historic
crosswalk across the nation
after he was spotted near the
bowling alley with his cross.
Mr. Blessitt has just completed a historic and unprecedented crosswalk in every nation on earth.
He and his \*wife, Denise,

He and his wife, Denise;

He and his twife, Denise, have just returned from carry-ing the cross in North Korea. He has carried, on foot, a 12 ft. cross of Jesus around the world since 1969; through wars, deserts, jungles, 227 countries, 7 continents and 32, 580 miles. He is listed in the Guinness Book of World Records for 1996, 1997, 1998. Records for 1996, 1997, 1998 and 1999 which lists this as "The World's Longest Walk."

Mr. Blessitt has faced a fir-ing squad, been arrested 24

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# Herbicide may be the answer to cattail infestation in Everglades

Dwight Jackson, a defensive end, was recognized by the Palm Beach Post as one of its pre-season Super II players. He was selected as a defensive player in all area and in his junior year in all state as well as a team captain. He has signed a national letter of intent with the University of Florida. Antonio Thomas, a wide receiver and quarterback, was a TV 12 player of the week. He was selected in all state, all area, all district & A pilot project using an envi-commentally friendly herbicide and controlled burning of the Everglades marsh may be at least part of the answer to the cattail infestation choking out open-water habitat vital to alliopen-water habitat vital to alli-gators, wading birds and wa-terfowl.

gators, wading birds and wa-terfowl. Blake Sasse, wildlife biolo-gist with the Florida Game-and Fresh Water Fish Commis-sion's (GFC) Wellington Field Office, reports that pilot cattail' readication began in early No-wember when the GFC directed aerial spraying by heliconter of aerial spraying by helicopter of the herbicide Rodeo in the Ho-ley Land Wildlife Management in southwestern Palm

Beach County.

"Almost one-third of the 35,000 acre area is covered with cattails," Mr. Sasse said. "Most of that growth has oc-curred since 1991. The explo-sion of cattails is, in large part, the result of damage suffered before water levels were re-stored to natural levels. The cattail growth was also fueled

Lake Level .16.09 feet

by phosphorus run-off from at Holey Land, a popular site for hundreds of area sportsFive different areas, totaling 80 acres, were treated with herbicide, according to Mr. Sasse A month later GFC some and late area or some leturned and set a consonal returned and set a consonal re by phosphorus run-off from agricultural areas." I'm Five different areas, totaling 80 acres, were treated with herbicide, according to Mr. Sasse. A month later GFC per-sonnel returned and set a con-trolled blaze to clear out the dead and decaying cattails. GFC biologists will soon carry

ort follows will soon carry out follows will soon carry out follows to deter-mine the project's success. The pilot program was a joint effort involving the GFC, the South Florida Water Manage-ment District, and the Broward ment District, and the Groward County Chapter of Waterfowl U.S.A., a waterfowl hunter/conservationist group. The SFWMD provided \$5,000 for the herbicide while Water-fowl U.S.A. footed the \$3,000 bill for helicottes made

lowl U.S.A. tooted the \$3,000 bill for helicopter rental.

"Our GFC helicopter is not configured for spraying which required us to use a private helicopter service," said Mr. Sasse. "This experimental effort was primarily desired to fort was primarily designed to provide additional open water areas to improve duck hunting

dangered snail kites.

"If the results are promising, we might see this approach used on a much larger scale throughout the Everglades," Mr. Sasse said. "This particular herbicide has minimal negative effects and has been approved for use by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). This isn't a cure-all, but it may prove to be one more useful management practice in preserying the integrity of Everglades marsh habitat."

The Holey Land is located just north of the L-5 Levee, approximately six miles west of U.S. 27, and immediately east of the Miami Canal Levee. The site is popular among duck hunters and fishermen. It is one of more than 100 wildlife

one of more than 100 wildlife management areas maintained by the GFC throughout the state.

# Glades Central Coach Willie McDonald in Hall of Fame

By Debra'Miller Staff Reporter Coath Willie McDonald of Glades Central Aigh School has coached the best of the best athletes over the last few He has led such local stars

He has led such local stars: as Reidel Anthony who plays for the Tampa Bay Bucaneers, Fred Taylor who plays for the Jacksonville Jaguars, Jimmy Spencer who plays for the San Diego Chargers and Roosevelt Blackman who plays for the Cincinnati Bengals. On Feb. 6; in Lake City, at

the Florida Sports Writers Hall of Fame Complex, Coach Mc-Donald will be inducted. But he doesn't receive the honor for placing these young men on professional football teams, he is actually being inducted be-cause of his coaching skills for track and field.

track and field.

Coach McDopald has been at
Glades Central High School
since 1972. He previously
worked at the local middle and
elementary schools before he
began coaching in his own
words "by accident."

He teaches subjects such as

math, science and English in elementary school. At the high school level he taught physical education until he became As-

sistant Principal in 1974.
With Coach McDonald as boys head track coach, Glades Central has won four state championships, was runner-up five times and won 13 regional championships in 4A and 3A divisions.

At one time, his track team won 21 straight district championships and 20 straight conference championships in track and field.



# Drew Duda named to Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative Board

Walter Andrew (Drew) Duda Jr. has been appointed to fill the un-expired term of Edward Duda, his uncle, on the Board of Directors of Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative of Flori-

His term will run through the next annual membership meeting held in January 2000. The appointment was made at the January 21, 1999 Board meeting.

Drew Duda is the harvesting

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Glade.

He joined the family farming business upon graduation from the University of Florida in 1983. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree in Food and Resource Economic

Drew sits on the Board of Directors of the Western Palm Beach County Farm Bureau, chairs the Palm Beach County Agricultural Enhancement Council, and sits on the advisory committee to the University

of Florida's Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences Everglades Research and Education Center.

'Drew resides in Loxahatchee

with his wife Lisa and their "It's a honor and privilege to carry on the Duda family tradi-tion of serving all of the mem-

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bers of the Cooperative by being on the Board," Drew said.
"I believe the Cooperative's members represent the best group of farmers in this part of country."

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the country.

Andy Duda, Drew's great uncle was a founding board member of the Cooperative. Upon
his retirement in 1982, Edward
Duda was appointed to the
Board and has steadfastly
served the Cooperative's membership until he retired in December 1966

cember 1998. "We welcome Drew's interest and the expertise he brings to the Cooperative," George H. Wedgeworth, president of the Cooperative said. "It's been great to have had the Duda family's involvement in the Cooperative for over 39 years and we look forward to a continued history with this family farming operation.

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ing squad, been arrested 24
times, been through 49 countries at war, fasted 40 days, ran
for President of the United
States and has walked with
70,000 people across Poland.
He has been on all major
news worldwide. Bill Graham
has walked with him, Pope
John Paul II has welcomed him
to Rome, Yasser Arafat has welcomed him to Beirut and he
has slept in Prime Minister Be-

gin's home in Israel.

He has-carried the cross
through such places as Iraq,
Iran, Afghanistan, Somalia,
Russia, China, South Africa,
Lebanon, India, Antarctica,
Nicaragua, Palestine, Israel,
Buba, North Korea, Vietnam
and Afghanistan.
Mr. Blessitt, 57, begsan, his
journey at age, seven when, he
received Jesus Christ as his
personal Savior and Lord of his
life.

He married Denies Islander

Blessitt from England in 1990 and she accompanies him now on all his trips.

on all his trips.

They plan now to carry the cross in "Celebration Cross-walks" in every U. S. state and every province in Canada. They also plan to make species "Celebration Crosswalks" back to revisit many nations.

Mr. Heesitt, who calls himself as follower of Jesus, says they are just simple servans they are just simple servans to the Lord and says he tries to keep it simple.

# I'm so happy I live in Florida

By Mike Lyons
"I am so happy I live in Florida." I must have said that sentence 50 times last week as snow and ice continued relentlessly across the northern half

snow and ice continued relenti-lessly across the northern half of the country.
I'm guessing that you're de-lighted to be here, too, especial-ly if you phoned a relative or friend in New York, Ohio, Illi-nois or any location where the tamperature is below freezing and the ground is all white.
After an unusually mild fall, powerful snowstorms swept across the Midwest and Great Lakes during the first two weeks of January, dumping sevegal feet of snow.
Chicago reported its second heaviest snowfall in history, while Detroit and Cleveland were buried in over one foot of the white stuff. There was so much snow in Buffalo-54 inch-es in 14 days - the National Guard was brought in to dig out the city.
And according to winter out the city.

And, according to winter weather experts, it is just the beginning. A lot more snow is expected. So much of the white ff that snowfall records may

stuff that snowfall records may be broken across the northern half of the country.

Of course, it's also cold with temperatures in many locations dropping well below zero dand it is during an episode of particularly frigid winter weather that some people will raise an interesting question: Is it ever too cold to snow? Is it ever too cold to snow?

It is a fact that the coldest

by clear skies. Climate records of the northern United States and Canada bear out this claim.

Mike Lyons

On the other hand, for some Midwestern cities - like Denver, Bismarck and Minneapolis - March is both the mildest and snowiest of the winder months. In Canada, outside of the mountains, average snowfall declines from more than 124 inchaes on the frigid shores of the Arctic Ocean. Still, snowfall is possible even at extremely low air temperatures although snowfalkses

peratures although snowflakes are small and accumulations are usually light.

That's because the relatively small amount of water vapor in

very cold air means that little water is available for precipitation. Cold air cannot hold as much water vapor as warm air.
Our famous humidity is a good example. Florida's warm temperatures hold an awful lot of water vapor that translates into hot and humid conditions all summer long.

into hot and humid conditions all summer long. Yet, when the temperature drops into the 50's during the winter, so does the humidity. In fact, your skin may feel dry because there is less water vapor in the air.

The same principle applies to snow. The heaviest snowfalls typically occur when the temperature is within a few degrees of freezing. On the other hand, moderate or heavy snow is unlikely when the temperature is below zero. It would appear there is some

ture is below zero.
It would appear there is some hope for, our friends across the Great White North. To cut down on the big snowstorms all that is needed is a huge Arctic three. Anything below zero should do the trick.

So the sort time.

So, the next time someone complains about heavy snow tell them about Greenland. Only about 2 inches of snow accumulates there all winter long, It is a bit cold, however, with average temperature of 22 So, the next time someone an average temperature of 22 degrees below zero. Like I said, "I'm so many y I live in Florida."

Mike Lyons is the Chief WPRF-TV

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# More than \$458 million of inappropriate Medicare pay-outs prevented or recovered in 1998 by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Florida

CBSF), the parent company of Florida's primay Medicare: administrator, First Coast Service
ptions (FCSO), prevented or recovered more
han \$458 million in Medicare fraud, waste and Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Floridal C-OSSF), the parent company of Floridals prima-ry Medicare: administrator, First Coast Service Options (FCSO), prevented or recovered more than \$458 million in Medicare fraud, waste and abuse during the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998. This represents a significant increase over the \$400 million BCBSF prevented or recovered in 1997, and further illustrates its commit-

ered in 1997, and further illustrates its commit-ment to slowing the growth of inapprepriate Medicare program expenditures in Florida.

These impressive results demonstrate that we be making significant progress in eliminating much of the blatant fraud, waste and abuse in Florida's Medicare program, says Patricia A. Williams, senior vice president and chief operat-ing officer of FCSO. "For every dollar we spent in safeguard efforts, we recovered \$18. The experi-ence and capabilities that BCBSF has built in the Medicare arens will now be employed by

ence and capabilities that BCBSF has built in the Medicare arena will now be employed by FCSO, as we continue our battle against those two would seek to defraud or abuse Medicare. As announced earlier this year, FCSO has now assumed BCBSF's former duties associated with the state's Medicare program, including Medicare Safeguard Program activities aimed at eliminating Medicare fraud, waste and abuse. FCSO is the former Government Programs Division of BCBSF, which was the area previously responsible for overseeing the Florida Medicare

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states, in injuring neutoarie rraud, waste and abuse is working. She explains that theapproach to rooting out Medicare fraud, waste and abuse has become much more proactive in recent years. This is primarily attributable to advanced technology that provides data analysis capabilities that help detect fraudulent or wasteful activities by identifying trends inconsistent with bona fide Medicare claim.

In the past, most Medicare fraud was blatant and often related to payment for non-rendered services or the absence of a verifiable Medicare provider or beneficiary. Today, many of the issues related to the submission of claims for services that don't meet Medicare guidelines or are med-

ically unnecessary.
Other key accomplishments in fiscal year 1998

 The identification and prevention of approximately \$192 million of inappropriate program The identification of mapped mately \$192 million of unallowable provider costs and million of unallowable provider costs.

The identification and recovery of approximately \$99 million of unallowable provider costs through retrospective financial audits.
 The avoidance or recovery of approximately \$107 million in situations where Medicare was

mappropriately buled or paid as the primary insurer.

The preparation and referral to law enforcement of over 50 case files documenting fraudulent or abusive actions.

The collection of approximately \$44 million resulting primarily from retrospective medical audits of physicians and suppliers.

Safeguard Strategy
According to Director of Benefits Integrity Acron Monson, both BCSP and FCSO employ HCFAs several-part strategy to fight Medicare fraud, waste and abuse. The strategy emphasizes prevention through increased claims scrutiny to ensure that covered beneficiaries are receiving appropriate care and providers are receiving appropriate reimbursements. More specifically, Monson notes, the strategy focuses on:

on:

Paying for the <u>right service</u> ensures that payments are issued for the medical care a beneficiary actually received and needed.

Paying for services on behalf of the <u>right beneficiary</u> ensures that payments are always associated with eligible beneficiaries.

Paying the right provider ensures that payments are going to entities that are legitimate, act in a reasonable manner and render quality

· Paying the right amount ensures the accura-

inappropriately billed or paid as the primary cy of reimbursements by utilizing correct fee schedule prices and properly applying deductible consument of over 50 case files documenting fraudulent or abusive actions.

"Maintaining a strong focus on these four measures keeps us out in front in the challenge to strong the intercrity of the Medicare property in the Medicar safeguard the integrity of the Medicare pro-gram," concludes Monson.

safeguard the integrity of the Medicare program, "concludes Monson."

BCBSF performs Medicare business under contract, through the national Blue Cross and Blue Shield Association for Part A (hospital services). For Part B (physician services), BCBSF contracts directly with the Health Care Financing Administration, the Federal government agency that oversees Medicare.

FCSO is a wholly-owned subsidiary of BCBSF. BCBSF is an independent licensee of the Blue Cross, and Blue Shield Association, an association of independent Blue Cross and Blue Shield companies. A financially-strong, tax-paying mutual company, BCBSF is subject to the same regulation by the Department of Insurance as tother health care organizations operating in Florida. Standard and Poors affirmed its "A+" rating. The ratings are based on BCBSF's strong market position, good earnings profile and excellent capitalization. More information about BCBSF can be found on the World Wide Web at www.bcbs.

# FDA recommends: Baby your child's teeth

tal Health Month, and the Florida ed. Dental Association celebrates by teaching new parents how to care for their infants teeth.

le importance of caring for their infant's teeth. Serious tooth decay can affect very young children. A child's primary teeth are eventually replaced by permanent ones. But primary teeth are critical for proper chewing, speaking and appearance. Great care should taken to keep them clean and

An infant or young child's primary Leth can be affected by baby-bottle tooth decay (also called nursing-bottle mouth). This condition develops when a baby frequently receives a bottle of milk, formula, fruit juice or other sweetened liquid as a pacifier. Pro-lenged "demand" breastfeeding also may cause this condition. The upper ant teeth are the most likely to be affected, but others also may be affect-

Tooth decay is caused by bacteria. Bacteria are present in plaque, a thin film that constantly forms on teeth. Bacteria use sugar for energy to pro-duce acids that attack tooth enamel. All types of sugars - including those in bottle and breast milk, formula, fruit juice and sweetened liquids - can cause plaque bacteria to produce decay-causing acids. Frequent, lengthy exposure to these acids can result in tooth decay.

to these acids can result in tooth decay.
Parents can help protect their baby's
teeth by doing the following:

After each feeding, wipe the child's
teeth and gums with a clean, damp
washcloth or gauze pad to remove
plaque. Begin brushing your child's
teeth as soon as the first tooth
abovers. This usually occurs by the appears. This usually occurs by six months.

· Don't put a baby to bed with a bottle of milk, formula, fruit juice or sweetened liquid.

· If your child needs a comforter between regular feedings, at night, or during naps, fill a nursing bottle with cool water or give the child a clean, pacifier recommended by your dentist or pediatrician. Never give a child a pacifier dipped in any sweet liquid.

Avoid filling a nursing bottle with liquids like sugar water, sweetened selation are of deith.

gelatin or soft drinks

· Make sure your child gets the fluoride needed for decay-resistant teeth. Talk to your dentist about recommend-ed methods for obtaining the proper amount of fluoride.

Schedule regular checkups beginning by the child's first birthday.

With a membership of almost 6500 licensed dentists, the Florida Dental Association represents almost 80 per-Association represents almost 80 per-cent of all Florida licensed dentists. The FDA's mission is to improve the public's health through professional and patient education and maintaining, high practice standards.



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#### Through the gift of unrestricted research funding, Christopher Reeve and others hope to walk again

(MAPSA)-Freedom in biomed-ical research is what can ulti-mately lead to great discoveries and what might one day allow 'Pristopher Reeve to walk again. The actor, who was para-lyzed in a horseback riding acci-dent four, years ago, is placing this hopes in Scientists like Dr. Fred H. Gare of The Salk Inst. dent four, years ago, is puscing his hopes in scientiats like Dr. Fred H Gage of The Salk Institute for Biological Studies and Dr. Dennis Choi of Washington University School of Medicine Year are proof that the freedom to follow one's scientific instincts, with support from increase the chances of brogress.

progress.
Dr. Gage and Dr. Choi, both in the Company of the Christopher Reve Research Mada, awarded by the Rever-Irvine Fearn Center at the Christopher Reve Research Mada, awarded by the Rever-Irvine Fearn Center at the University of California Irvine College of Medicine, to individuals who have made recent critical contributions to promoting repair of the damaged spinal cord and recovery of function. Each of the Scientists has also previously scientists has also previously scientists has also previously scientist and five-year, \$500,000 'urestricted neuroscience fesearch grant from the Bristol-Myers-Squibb Foundation-Gage In 1988 and Choi in 1994. Dr. Choi's research focused on

ating interventions directed limiting nerve cell destrucand the spiral cord after an advery firsteningly, many abree cells are not directly lestroyed by the initial physical and the surface of the

using viruses to deliver growth factors directly to these cells. These non-renewable cells are routial to learning and memory. Mr. Reeve himself is upbeat about the future of spinal cord research. He has predicted he will stand on his own power hy.

will stand on his own power by his 50th birthday, though he knows much further research is needed before spinal cord injury can be reversed. New discoveries will enhance

New discoveries will enhance the chances for recovery of func-tion as well as reduce the nation's healthcare costs," says Reeve. "The Christopher Reeve Research Medal is very special to me because it shows that we are serious about supporting scientists who are conducting groundbreaking research in spinal cord injury."

The fact that research by our unrestricted neuroscience grant recipients is being recognized by the Christopher Reeve Research Medal confirms that Research Medal confirms that we must continue to support highly innovative research and allow scientists the freedom to follow uncharted paths in scientific investigation. Christopher Reeve's award of recognition and our company's unrestricted funding are key to maintaing hope for the 250,000 Americans with spinal cord injury," says John Damonth, president of the Bristol-Myers' Squibb Foundation.

Bristol-Myers Squibb Founda-tion.

The no-strings Bristol-Myers Squibb Unrestricted Biomedical Research Grants are given in various areas of research to encourage just this kind of encourage just this kind of unconstrained exploration that can lead to unexpected break-through discoveries. The can lead to unexpected break-through discoveries. The Christopher Reeve Research Medal recognizes the fruits of such unfettered research, hon-oring long-standing leadership and outstanding work in spinal cord injury research.

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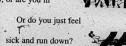
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# OPINION PAGE



## Feel strongly about local issues?

The Sun

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#### Keep him in office

"I'm against removing President Clinton from office. I think he's doing a super job and I'd love to see him finish out his term. Thank you."

"I see where the Belle Glade Police Depart-

T see where the Belle Glade Folice Department has 681 complaints, worked 7 crime scenes and gave 23 traffic citations.

It doesn't look to me as if there are too many arrests there. What, they don't want to do the paperwork or what?"

Michael R. Miller, Interim City Manager and Chief of Police responds: "The Bell Glade Police Department in 1998 made 57 felony arrests, 699 misdemeanor arrests issued 1,156 traffic infraction citations, 28

issued 1,156 traffic infraction citations, 281 criminal traffic citations and responded to 34,899 complaints which resulted in 7,154 investigative reports.

If you would like to learn more about the complexities of professional law enforcement and the laws of arrest, search and seizure investigative procedures, rules of evidence, constitutional law, reporting procedures, etc., please feel free to contact me at 561-996-7270.

#### Rude workers

"Hi, I'm calling in reference to the Speak Out titled "Caller has Concerns."

This was directed to the Palm Beach Coun-ty Health Department and the two ladies who work in that area are very rude and surely they do not have your referrals ready when

you need them. Thank you."

#### Potholes and more

Tim calling because I'm concerned about the Pahokee Housing Authority and the Fremd Village and the potholes. I called about two weeks ago and I spoke out about the potholes in the road.

Then they called and commented on the

subject.

My comment back to them is. I've been call-My comment back to them is, I've been calling them for the past eight months and they have pretty much brushed me off. Now that I have gone public with this they claim they are going to get the potholes fixed.

If they ever had to ride up and down these streets every day and every night to get home they would realize why I am so upset about the probless.

the potholes.

Another thing, what about the housing in

Fremd Village? We have a lot of people who have their ceilings falling down on them. A

have their ceilings falling down on them. A lot of people's bathubs have fallen through the floors. I know this is project housing, but people should not have to live like this.

Sometimes they want to give us high water-rates, raise our rents for different situations (like if our ceilings fall through on the floor). I feel they should do their job. They get certain grants for the housing authority and so they should do their job and not just brush us off and act as if we're just project people and we don't matter. We pay our rent on time and we pay our bills just like they do. We're human and we shouldn't have to live like animals.

Please ask them to do their job and cover

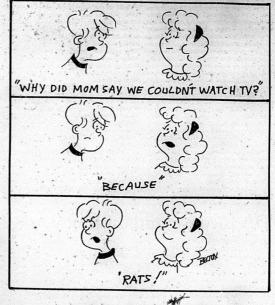
up those holes and fix our ho Thank you very much."

Victor B. Atkins and Julie Hale with the Pahokee Housing Authority respond: The Pahokee Housing Authority's staff and Board of Commissioners are committed to providing safe and decent housing for residents of our community. We work continuousdents of our community. We work continuously with the Resident's Association in order that the best decisions ly with the Kesident's Association in order that the best decisions are made in improving our communities. Understandably so, there are serious concern relating to the parking courts in Fremd Village. The residents have been very patient, and we are very apprecia-tive of that fact. The caller is correct, we have tive of that fact. The caller is correct, we have received money to repair the parking courts, howeigr, there is a lengthy process involved when following federal guidelines with respect to procurement. The courts, however, are still at the top of our agenda. As for the caller's concern regarding falling

As for the caller's concern regarding failing ceilings and bathtubs, such conditions are extremely dangerous and should be reported to the authority immediately. The PHA conducts an annual inspection on each unit as required by the Department of HUD. During the inspection, the Housing Quality Standards (HOS) inspected descripted at 16 follow required by the Department of HUD. During the inspection, the Housing Quality Stan-dards (HQS) inspector documents all failing conditions, and we make every effort\_ba\_fishe these repairs in a timely manner\_The resi-dents, however, have an obligation to notify the authority of known needed repairs, as well as conditions that threaten their safety. In response to the issue of increased water rates, the PHA has not raised its water rates

In response to the issue of increased water rates, the PHA has not raised its water rates in several years. Residents are given water allowances that vary according to unit sizes. The residents are responsible for the amount in excess of their allowance only. In most cas-es, the PHA pays the city in excess of \$30,000

See SPEAK OUT/Page 5



## Tobacco settlement helps UF evaluate Florida's youth smoking habits

By Kristen Vecellio University of Florida News New research from the Uni-versity of Florida shows less than one-third of those who know about the state's new Truth youth anti-smoking campaign think it will cause youth smoking to decline. The university hopes its research results will help the state com-

results will help the state com-bat youth smoking more effec-tively.
Funding for the study came from \$286.672 the university's Communication Research Cen-ter received as part of the \$11.3 billion tobacco settle-ment from the Department of health to help the state combat youth smoking through a three-pronged evaluation of the state's smoking habits and tobacco-promotion activities. acco-promotion activities

tobacco-promotion activities.

"We're very interested in
what's going or in retail sales,
of tobacco, from stores and
pricing strategy to targeting of
ethnic groups," said Mary Ann
Ferguson, assistant dean for

Ferguson, assistant dean for research at UF's College of Journalism and Communications and study director. The first of the three evaluations included a report of Citizen's Opinions About Tobacco: Florida's Truth Tracking Survey. The three surveys tracked public attitudes on the tobacco industry and the Truth youth anti-smoking campaign. The June survey found only 23 percent of adult Floridians smoke, but 53 percent have smoked at least five packs of cigarettes in a lifetime.

A majority, 58 percent, of the

respondents felt tobacc companies have tried to mislead youth to get them to purchase their product, and three-fourths of the respondents agreed that "in spite of what they say, tobacco companies use advertising to attract young people."

young people."

The same survey also mea-The same survey also measured awareness of the new. Truth anti-smoking campaign targeted at youth. Forty-four percent of the survey respondents were aware of the campaign and 63 percent of those respondents like the campaign in general with 73 percent of those same respondents liking the intent and tone of the cam-

cond prong of the eval-Ine second prong of the eval-uation targeted tobacc spon-sorship of events that attract school-age children. Six coun-ties - Duval, Gadsden, Miami-Dade, Hendry, Brevard and Citrus - were chosen based on

the demographics of their school districts: either rural or urban black, white or Hispanic.

Researchers monitored the prevalence and availability of tobacco at 174 events in these counties. The events in these counties. The events in these councies. The events in these counties. The events included motor sports, music festivals, fairs and sporting events, events held at sports bars were most likely to have tobacco present.

Although only 24 events had Atthough only 24 events nau tobacco products for sale, 62.5 percent of those events did not have readily observed regula-tory or warning signs regard-ing tobacco sales to minors, as required by state law. Hendry and Citrus school districts, classified as rural Hispanic and rural white digreticts, respectively, had the largest percentage of events where tobacco was present. Urban black Duval and urban Hispanie Miami-Dade had the smallest percentage.

mallest percentage.
The final prong of the research took a look at tobacco research took a look at tobacco advertising patterns in flu-types of Florida stores: gas sta-tion/convenience stores, conve-nience stores, drug stores, gro-cery stores and gas stations. Each of the 303 stores surveyed was analyzed for the presence of exterior and interi-or advertisements and themes of the marketing. Ferguson said point-of-pur-

chase campaigns by tobacco companies were pervasive in Florida. She said researchers looked for product placement, appeal of ads, fliers, handouts and regulatory and warning

signs.

"It's quite informative to actually visit these stores," she said. "Ads covered whole buildings, fences, gas pumps, sidewalks and shopping baskets." In 20 percent of the stores, researchers did not see regulatory signs, and signs regarding smoking risks were found in only 40 percent of the stores. Ferguson-said these-study results have been presented to the Florida Pilot Program on Tobacco Control so they can revaluate their youth antismoking campaigns and mold-them to combat tobacco advertising even better.

## A PLEDGE TO OUR READERS

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# Looking back through time...



? This file photo was taken in the early 1970's in Belle Glade he photo or why they were given awards. Any readers v s at 996-4404 and we will print the information in next week'

# Sun Spots

Giant Yard Sale
The United Methodist of
Community Methodist Church
will be holding a Giant Yard
Sale in Jameson Hall located
at 401 S.W. Ist Street on Saturday, Feb. 6 from Ta.m. until
12 p.m. Lots of good buys
available.

# Valentine's Day dinner

Valentine's Day dinner
The Belle Glade Elks Lodge
is sponsoring a Valentine's Day
Candlelight Prime Rib Dinner
on Sunday, Feb. 14 from 6 to 9
p.m. at the lodge on Avenue E.
Dinners are \$12.95 and
reservations must be made by
Feb. 10. Call 996-1716 to make

vour reservations.

#### Alzheimer's/Dementia Caregiver Support

Group

The Alzheimer's/Dementia
Caregiver Support Group
meets every second Tuesday of
the month from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

the month from 2 to 3:30 p.m. at the Pahokee Civic Center. The center is located at 360 East First Street, Pahokee. For more information about the meetings or any of the services offered by the Alzheimer's Community Care Association, please call Sandy Choate at 924-7283.

#### Head Start Centers offer free and reduced

offer free and reduced meals for children
The East Coast Migrant Head Start Project offers free or reduced lunches to children in four of their centers located in the Glades.
The program is offered through the U.S. Department of Agriculture's "Child and Adult Care Food Program" and is available at: The Early Head Start Center and the O'Brien Center on 18th Street, Belle Glade; the Shannon Center on Duda Road, Belle Glade; and at the South Bay Center on US 27.

For more information contact

Openings for children at East Coast Migrant

access to Washington's halls of power and the people shaping public policy. Alumni have gone on to be

Head Start
Four of East Coast Migrant
Head Start's centers havevacancies for children at their
locations. The free program is
for low-income children ages
vacake to five vears. Also six weeks to five years. Also eligible for Head Start are children with disabilities. Appli-cants must meet family income

ast Coast Migrant Head Start runs from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. and provides breakfast, lunch, and a snack.

Centers include the South

Centers include the South Bay Center at 996-2939, the O'Brien Center at 996-1473, Early Head Start at 996-5453 and the Shannon Center at 996-2232.

#### Head Start

accepting children
Belle Glade Family and Children Services, PEPPI Head
Start Program is now accepting applications for three and year old children.

four year old children.
All children are welcome to
attend, including children with
disabilities. There are no fees.
The center is located at 200
S.W. 9th Street, Belle Glade.
For more information, call
Tammy Kyles' or Barbara

at 996-1718.

#### Free transportation

The Division of Senior Services will be providing medical transportation from the Glades area to Royal Palm Beach,

transportation from the Glades area to Royal Palm Beach, Wellington and West Palm Beach for those persons who are 60 and over.

Please call Effic McNair at the Senior Services Center, Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. or call 561-233-0400.

#### Volunteers sought for Red Cross

Red Cross
The Glades area service center of the Palm Beach County
Chapter of the American Red
Cross are in search of volun-

are willing to be trained in water safety, CPR or First Aid Instruction. Volunteers are also needed for other tasks at

have returned to Washington

offers the Business, Labor and Public Policy Program, the Sci-

the Red Cross office in Bell-Glade. To volunteer call 992-9703 or

(941) 675-8000

Activities for seniors open and free. Glades residents 65 years old nd older are invited to partici-ate in activities held daily at pate in activities held daily at the West County Senior Citi-zen Center, 2916 St. Road 15, Belle Glade.

Administrator Effie McNair said many fun activities are scheduled for the participants, including a birthday cake and punch party held' the last Fri-day of each month. Other activities include weekly movies, monthly trips to the mall, and craft classes: Fire prevention and safety classes can be held in Seniors' homes and free blood pressure screen-Administrator Effie McNair and free blood pressure screen-ing is offered.

For more information transportation, call M McNair at 996-4808.

## Bereavement Support

Bereavement Support
Group offered
Hospice of Palm Beach
County is offering bereavement support for local residents. Anyone who is having a
difficult time dealing with the
death of an important person
in their life, struggling with
longlings and a charming loneliness and a chang social role, is invited to att changing For further information call

#### Baha'is plan Sunday meetings

The Baha' community in the Glades will be holding spiritual meetings each Sunday at 10 a.m. at the Magdalene Carney Baha' Institute, '130 S.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd, Belle Clade, A. Paragaseria believed. tin Luther King Jr. Blvd, Belle Glade. A prayer session begins at 10 a.m. and classes for adults, youth and children start at 10:30 a.m. A covered dish luncheon will take place at noon and a youth workshop begins at 1 p.m

Anyone needing additional information can contact Elinor Walker, coordinator at 996-

To participate, students must be juniors or seniors in high school, hold a "B" average or higher or rank in the top 25 percent of their class and show commitment to community or commitment to community or school involvement through participation in co-curricular activities.

#### ence, Technology and Public Policy Program and for interleaders in their own communi-ties and many, like U.S. Repre-sentative Chet Edwards and U.S. Senator Robert Torricelli al students, the Future national students, the World Leaders Summit.

Editor's note: The police news on this page lists arrests, not convictions, unless otherwise stated. Arrested persons who later are found not guilty or have had the charges against them dropped are welcome to let us know. We will confirm the information and print it.

The Pahokee Police Department made 11 arrests the week of January 25-31.

Arrest Blotters

Those arrested included: January 25 - No arrests

January 26 - Charlie-McKelton, 41, felony retail theft and trespassing; Isaac Smith, 29, retail theft and trespassing after

January 27. Juvenile, 15, inciting a riot and throwing a deadly missile into an occupied vehicle; Gregory Ketzell, 18, battery on a detention staff member; Juvenile, 15, battery on a detention staff member; Juvenile, 15

tery on a detention staff member; Juvenile, 14, battery on A detention staff member.

January 28 - Robert Simpson, 31, burglary; Juvenile, 16, battery on a detention staff member. Juvenile, 16, grand theft.

January 29 - Januariah Boule, 18, disorderly intoxication.

January 30 - Reese Benjamin, burglary, grand theft auto and possession of burglary tools.

January 31 - Charles Freeman, 38, two varrants for failure to appear and violation of

The Belle Glade Police Department handled 632 complaints, worked 8 crime scenes and gave 13 traffic citations the week of January 25-31.

January 25 - No arrests made.

January 26 - Wendell Baldwin, 21, throwing a destructive device with intent to harm and possession of cocaine; Israel Hes-ter, 29, dealing in stolen property and grand

theft; Lee Lawson, 42, dealing in stolen property and grand theft. January 27 - Kimberly Dennard, 32, abuse of a disabled adult; Charles Barber,

abuse of a disabled adult; Charles-Barber, 28, two counts of failure to appear.

January 28 - Jimmy Lee McClorin, 37, burglary of a residence and grand theft.

January 29 - Charles Grey, 26, two counts of retail theft. Robert Parrish, 35, two counts of retail theft.

January 30 - Dewayne Wade, 22, petty theft; Terry Willis, 45, battery, Iran Torres, 46, stalking.

46, stalking.

January 31 - Curtis Leon Hill, 31, two counts of failure to appear; Willie Charles
Williams, 21, four counts of contributing to
the delinquency of a minor and trespassing on school property; Juvenile, 14, trespassing on school property; Juvenile, 13, trespassing on school property; Juvenile, 14, trespassing on school property; Juvenile, 15, trespassing on school property; Juvenile, 13, trespassing on school property; Juvenile, 14, aggravated battery with a deadly weapon.

#### SPEAK OUT/FROM PG. 4

each month for water and sew-er charges and less than \$4,000 are billed to the resi-

donts.

Our aim is to create opportunities for residents and create self-sufficiency through service delivery. We carnot accomplish this without the community's support. In spite of our efforts, there are only a few residents who share actively in this commitment. We have an open door policy and welcome input at all times. We encourage the caller to become active with caller to become active with the Resident Association. The the Resident Association. The association participates regu-larly in goal setting, decision-making, policy establishment, and so forth. The Resident Leaders meet regularly to address concerns of residents, but participation is very mini-

hai.

Lastly, in an effort to refocus
the image of Public Housing,
we have long discontinued the
use of the word 'projects' when
referring to PHA's develop-

weight of PHA's developments or complexes.

We sincerely thank The Sun for giving us the opportunity to respond to this Speak Out article."

#### Thank you

Thonk you

'This is the lady who called recently and left a Speak Out on my mother's medical care that she's getting at the feath department.

We have gotten that all straightened out, thank's to Elizabeth Hernandez and Dr. Trenshel. They said they would take care of the problem and I just want to thank them for what they did for us.

Thank you very much for putting it in the newspaper."

Bus drivers
"A note about bus drivers.
"Ye seen some who drive wild.
They speed, do not stop for stop signs, just slow and then go. I don't mean just one driver, I've seen several. They are

They should have a number to call direct on the back of every bus with the number of

They should investigate and write the driver up if they are driving dangerously and after the third complaint they should be fired.

The bus drivers think they

are like a policeman, over the

### CRIME STOPPERS



Crime Stoppers of Palm Beach County, Inc., is asking citizens to help locate Darrell Latrall Hickman, who is wanted for violation of proba-tion on charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon and possession of marijuana with intent to sell.

with intent to sell.

Hickman is 5'8" tall, and
weighs 160 pounds. He has
black hair and brown eyes and
his date of birth is September
20, 1970. His last known

address was 1920 Bacom Point Road, Pahokee. His Social Security number is 262-73-1088 and his last occupation is unknown. His warrant was active as of January 26, 1999.

If you know the whereabouts of Darrell Latrall Hickman, or anyone involved in a serious crime, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-458-8477. You can remain anonymous and still receive a cash reward if your receive a cash reward if your tip leads to an arrest.

# Agriculture scholarships awarded

The Eastern and Western Palm Beach County Farm Bureaus awarded two \$1;000 Agriculture Scholarships on January 27 at the South Florida Fair.

The recipients or the Agri-The recipients or the Agri-culture Scholarships were Ms. Gina Abbadessa of Loxa-hatchee and Ms. Heather Thompson of Lake Worth. The scholarships were awarded to these students

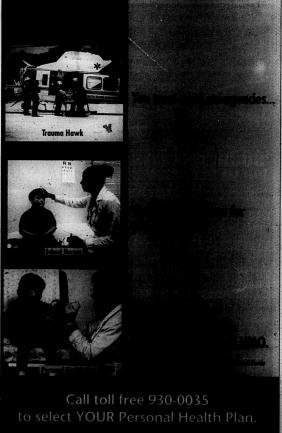
because of their interest and participation in livestock and

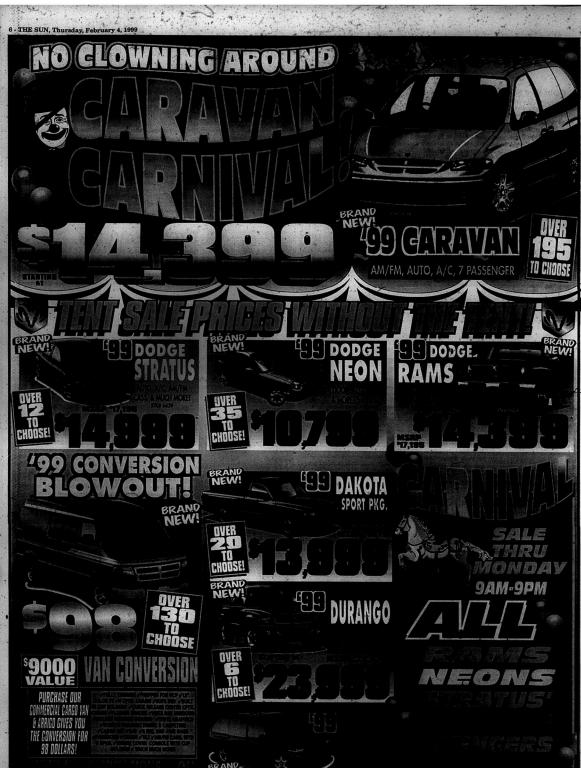
The two recipients were selected on the basis of competition by the Agriculture com-mittee of the South Florida

Fair.

The money for the scholar-ships was raised by the farm bureaus at their Farmer's Market tent at the South Flori-Market tent at the South Flori-da Fair by the sale of fresh, locally grown produce. A sur-vey-of 1999 fairgoers by offi-cials of the South Florida Fair found that the Farmer's Mar-ket tent sponsored by the farm bureaus of Palm Beach County

was rated as one of the best displays of the fair. The estern Palm Beach County Farm Bureau would like to extend congratulations to Ms. Lawanna Caruso, exec-utive director of the Eastern Palm Beach County Farm Bureau, Ms. Eva Webb, Field Services Representative for Services Representative for District 7 of the Florida Farm District 7 of the Florida Farm Bureau, Ms. Ann Holt of the Western Palm Beach County Farm Bureau for their efforts to make this display one of the best at the South Florida Fair.





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The Pahokee High School's Dance Team Aka Hi-Energy Dancers had members Altela Hernandez, Shontell Thompson, Olivia Redden, Cateria Powell and Melvinesha McKinney perform in the Super Bowl's pre-game show.

They performed with a rock group "Kiss," along with other dancers. These dancers were chosen from thousands that auditioned to perform. Auditions were by invitation only. Pictured from left to right are: Shontell Thompson, Olivia Redden and Cateria Rowell. Front are Alicia Hernandez and Megan McKinney. Lisa Hernandez and Cateria Powell were among the Hi-Energy Dancers who performed in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York.

#### Local residents honored by **PBC Sports Hall of Fame**

Three persons from the Glades area will be honored by

Glades area will be honored by the Palm Beach County Sports Hall of Fame at its 23rd annual awards dinner on March 14. Included are Fred Taylor of Belle Glade for Professional Athlete of the Year, Anguan Boldin of Pahokee, for High School Athlete of the Year and Joe Marx of Pahokee High School for Coach of the Year. Mr. Taylor, a former running

Mr. Taylor, a former running back at Glades Central High School and the University of Florida, gained more than 1,200 yards rushing and scored 17 touchdowns as a rookie for the NFL's Jacksonville Jaguars. Mr. Boldin and Mr. Marx led

Mr. Boldin and Mr. Marx led the Pahokee High School foot-ball team to 14 straight victo-

ries and the state Class 3A finals last month before they lost their only game of the sea-son, 29-14 to Jacksonville

Bolles.

Mr. Boldin, the stat's Mr. Football for all classes, completed 133 passes for 2,842 yards and 36 touchdowns, ran for 1,4967 yards and 20 TDs, and also played safety, punted and returned kickoffs and

Patrina Allen, a former Palm Beach Lakes High track star, is the Amateur Athlete of the

The awards dinner is scheduled at the Palm Beach Gardens Marriott. Tickets may be purchased from Hall of Fame committee members at 561-686-9287 after Feb. 4.

ing a car wash from 8 a.m. until 12 p.m on Feb. 13 in the school's parking lot.

Students don't forget to pur-

chase your donuts on Tuesdays

chase your donuts on Tuesdays at break, to help finance the Safety Patrol's trip to Washington, D.C. In the high school, last Tuesday, the juniors and seniors talked to a representative from Palm Beach

tive from Palm Beach Community College. He helped students with their college questions and with their deci-

sions on where to apply.

Student Council members

Student Council members are gearing up for two dances this month, a Jr. high affair to be held Saturday, Feb. 13 at Tripp Hall and MORP on Friday, Feb. 19. To help pay for expenses, they are selling

compatibility match-ups for \$2 each. Participants who buy one may get to see your ideal match. Who knows, maybe

match. Who knows, maybe you'll have a new romance!
The A.C.T. test will be held at Glades Central High School for students at 8 a.m. for students taking the test to apply for college on Saturday, Feb. 6. Also, the registration deadline for the March SAT is Friday, Feb. 12. If you haven't taken it and plan to attend a college or university, now's the time to sign up.

# GLADES DAY GATOR TALES and for every ticket purchased by a parent they will receive two free student passes. The Safety Patrol will also be hold-

By Rebecca Palmer and Matt Aiston

The Glades Day School elementary has many activities planned for the next few weeks. The kindergartners are going to take a field trip this week to the Post Office to learn how the

mail system works.

Over the next few Fridays, kindergartners are traveling to the police department, Glades General Hospital and the fire

The book fair held last week

The book fair held last week was a great success.

Last Monday was Grandparents Day at the school and Pre-K and kindergarten preformed in Tripp Hall and effreshments were served.

The elementary Student Council has been raising money for the St. Jude fund by doing a Math-A-Thon. For every problem a pledge was

problem a pledge was

placed.

Spring is on its way and the elementary school is getting ready. They are going to replant their outdoor agricultural area with spring time

tural area with spring time veggies.

The fourth through sixth graders are starting to practice for their performance of "Grease" which they plan to perform in May.

On Mogday, February 15, the Safety Patrol is sponsoring Vince Carmen and his Magic Show which will be held in the gym. The show begins at 7 pm.

Glades youth-baseball sign-up still available

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Sign up is still ongoing at the Glades Youth Baseball.
The ages are as follows:
T-Ball - 5.6,7
Farm League - 8,9,10
Lassic League - 8-13
The sign up dates and locations are as follows:
Thursday, Feb. 4 from 7 - 9 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce
Thursday, Feb. 9 from 7 - 9 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce
Thursday, Feb. 11 from 7 - 9 p.m. at the Chamber of Commerce
Saturday, Feb. 13 from 9 a.m. until 12 p.m at the Chamber of Commerce

If you have any questions contact Jeff Hawkins at 996-0411.

#### Rosenwald and Gove Elem. students to jump rope

Students at Rosenwald nd Gove Elementary chools will put their energy and jumping ability to good use on Feb 10 and March 9 when they participate in the annual American Heart Association Jump Rope for

Heart.

According to Joanna
Boynton who is the president of the board at the
American Heart Association, besides having fun,
the kids will be raising
funds for the American
Heart Association.

The funds will go toward research into the preven-tion, detection and treat-ment of heart attack and stroke as well as education-al and community programs

grams.

Last year the American

Heart Association spent
\$107.5 million for research
and about \$159 million to
teach people how to avoid or
live with cardiovascular dis-

Over the years, AHA funded researchers have helped develop CPR, bypass surgery, pacemakers, artificial heart valves, microsurgery and life-extending drugs, says Ms. Boynton. But research only pays off if the knowledge it produces reaches healthcare professionals and their patients or if healthy Americans learn what they can do to prevent heart disease and stoke. That's why the American Heart Association's educational program targets millions every year, including, residents of Belle Glade.

In 1999 Jump Rope For

In 1999 Jump Rope For Heart celebrates its 20th

Heart celebrates its 20th anniversary.

Since 1979 the event has been held in more than 20,000 schools across the nation, involving about 1.5 to 1.8 million students annually. From the begin-ning, the event has been co-sponsored by the American Alliance for Health, Alliance for Health, Physical Education recre-

Physical Education; recreation and dance.

Gove Elementary will hold their Jump Rope for Heart on Wednesday, Feb. 10.

Rosenwald Elementary will hold theirs on Tuesday, March 9.

March 9.
For more information about Jump Rope for Heart contact your nearest contact your nearest American Heart Association or call 1-800-242ELEMENT AN

# CAT TALK



If you have a child entering kindergarten in the fall and you are interested in your child attending Gove Elementary School please stop by the school to pick up a Magnet

school to pick up a Magnet application.
Gove Elementary is an international Studies Magnet that spechalizes in dual language. Our goal is to create an environment that promotes equality and positive cross cultural attitudes while students become bilingual and biliterate.

Last Thursday and Friday, students making the Honor Roll, along with their parents were treated to a special break-

We are very proud of our Honor Roll students. The list of students follow:

#### First Gra

Majd Afaghani Alana Byrd Lauren Deboben Antonio Ford Roberto Fuentes Evan Jones Wilnesha Jones Joel Lobo
Margaret Lopez
Fernando Martinez Fernando M Kyle Monti Aleiandra Oliva Maurilio Pacheco Jaclyn Garza
Emily Pope
Marcus Ricketts Mathew Roberts Juan Rodriguez Aaron Romero Jessica Ruiz Annette Silva Dominique Tosado Skye Walker

Second Grade Javier Almazan Dairent Beavers Ricardo Gutierrez

Kathleen Johnson Jasmine King Kimberly Kittrell Aleigh Miller Miya Police Michelle Priest Kayla Scott Lau'renthia Shirley Vanessa Varela Kierra Wilson

#### **Third Grade**

Jessica Bryant
Judy Chancey
Kayla Collier
Doris Crosby
Ashley Feltner
Pedro Mata Erin McCarthy Katelyn Miller Cristal Monroy Jaime Oliva Cynthia Orsenigo Lewis Pope Patricia Priest Sa'maya Robinson Paul Smith Abeer Zayyad

#### Fourth Grade

Monica Aguirre Gasey Albert Hamdallah Ali Jeanette Almazan Stephanie Cisner Keisha Cooper Casronell Courtney Errol Demontagnac Willenea Dennard Robert Dowdell Khaled Erras Yoraue Garcia Marisela Gallegos Elvira Hernandez Gion Jackson Steven Jackson Wayne Johnson Sandy Joseph Travis Kelting De'Keria King Stephanie Kirchman Heba Mansour Ana Martinez Amanda Prescott

Caitlin Ramos Fernando Ramos Kalyn Rayburn Andres Rodriquez Kayla Rodriquez Le'Anshenea Roker Amanda Roman Naekia Rowley Christina Ruiz Teresa Ruiz Enjoli Saddler Dalal Shalabi Brandon Smith Pedro Vega Miguel Velasco Luke Woodham Ja meshia Worthy

#### Fifth Grade Josie L. Almanzan

Clarence Anthony Dairellie Beavers Maria Benjamin Ranetta Burden Renee Edwards Jesus Garza Herminia Hernand Amanda Martinez Alice Matias Amanda Mashni Demecia Purdue Joseph Samara Sabah Shatara Shalonda Williams David Woodham Courtnee Wright

#### Sixth Grade

Ossie Battle Ossie Battle
Timothy Barton
Jamie Evans
Angelica Hernandez
Lajazz Jackson
Luisa Mendoza
Sandra Martinez
Zachary Prescott
Angeliz Remos Angeliz Ramos Michelle Rodriguez Alia Samara Johnny Slater Giovanna Solano Justin Walker

#### Shepherd's School A & B Honor Roll

The following is a list of students from Shepherd's School who made the Honor

K-5 A's & B's: Wil Christmas, Adam Dixon, Satonia Montgomery First Grade

All A's: Ricky Christmas Natasha Colon, Katelyn Maynor, Mitchell Broom

A's & B's: Raionshane Jones Second Grade All A's: Josh Royal

A's & B's: Anthony Keith Norman, Sarah Shi

Third Grade Third Grade
All A's: Heather Butler
A's & B's: Adrianna Abner
Uzuri Collier, Drew Pate
Fourth Grade
All A's: Lauren Royal Fifth Grade
All As: Noel Tucker,
Apryl Lee, Russell Pate
As & B's: Jonathan Dixon
Seventh Grade
All As: Eric Royal,
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# **His Body**



The Accords Gospel Group will be at Miracle Temple on Feb. 13 from 7 until 9 p.m. Miracle Temple is located at 104 S.W. 16th St. in Belle Glade.

The Accords were organized in the early eighties and quickly gained popularity as an all male group. In addition to traveling and, singing nationally, they also operated a recording studio in Moultrie, Ga. As the demands of the studio increased the group found themselves doing less concerts and more studio work until they finally stopped singing as a group all together. When the time came to reorganize the group, all of the former members had moved to different parts of the country and were involved in other ministries.

The decision was made to rebuild with not only new members, but also as a mixed group. The group has really evolved into a famile group. Olan Witt sings base, his wife Julie sings soprano, their son Justin plays keyboards, programs and arranges their music. Olan's cousin, Nancy Jo Center, sings alto and joining the family is tenor singer Wendell Smith. Since the reorganization The Accords have recorded two projects for WyndStar Communications.

Rev. Alvin E. Nicholes invites everyone to attend the gospel sing at Miracle Temple.

## Garden Club worried about Royal Palms in Pahokee

Pahokee Garden Club held Their regular meeting on Tuesday, Jan 19, at First Union Bank Community Room. Those attending were: Lillian Padgett, Gerry Frimes, Enea

Keen, Juanita Bracewell, Margaret Wilkinson, Tommie Lee DuBose, Frances Lockhart, Vee Harrington, Warren Ingram, Hilda Wilkinson, Georgie Moon and President Shirlee Ingram.

The program was a video of Wildflowers in the Columbia

Wildflowers in the Columbia River Gorge - Wildflowers Cousins in Grandmother's House by Warren Ingram. Several items discussed included the first Annual Spring-Plant & Bake Sale to be held Tuesday, March 16 from 10 am. until 4 pm. at First Union Bank Community Room in Pahokee. Remember to jot this date on your calendars and come and support our garden club. Begin your spring planting early and don't forget the

homemade bake goodies.

The second item of business for the club was discussion of the club's project which is purchasing a medium size Gazebo to be placed in "Pioneer Memorial Park" located on Bacom Point Road in Pahokee This is in memory of Martha McIntosh who was a charter member and started the first garden club in the city.

Martha was instrumental in Martha was instrumental in having the beautiful Royal Palms planted on Bacom Point Road, as well as a great many, in not most of the trees and flowering plants in Pahokee. Martha even grew Royal Palms and planted them on Bacom Point Road. When one would die or was hit by automobiles or by storms, Martha would replace them and even carried water from her house, to get the Royal Palma started. The very first planting of Royal Palms numbered 350.

In a special note from the

Garden Club they are asking residents to help protect the Royal Palms by not driving nails or placing reflectors into the trees. They say this causes the trees. They say this causes the trees to become diseased. Residents should remember that these trees are alive and are also protected by the State of Florida and the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs. Mrs. Ingram, president of the Pahokee Garden Club suggests ranokee Garden Club suggests that if you must put something on the trees to "Tie a Yellow Ribbon" on the trees for the men and women who are serving and fighting in Iraq and

ing and righting in Iraq and other foreign places,

"Please help us in this endeavor," said Mrs. Ingram.
"We want to preserve our trees and to work on keeping them healthy! Let's not harm them.
The allhy will be weeking suith. The club will be working with the Florida Department of Transportation in the removal of the reflectors and the nails. Houseparents to speak at church

speak at church
For more than 41 years, Bud
Hotalen and his wife, Jean,
have served as houseparents to
high schoolers.
After graduating from Toccoa
Falls College, in Georgia, Mr.
Hotalen was dorm 'father' and
athletic director on the Toccoa
campus before his first assignment in Africa. In Zaire he
served for nearly 15 years as a
house perent to missionaries
children attending an Alliance
church there.

church there.
Mr. Hotalen is a missionary serving with The Christian and Missionary Alliance, a church committed to fulfilling the Great Commission.

Great Commission.

He will be speaking to the congregation at the Belle Glade Alliance Church from Feb. 9 to Feb. 10 during its

missions conserence.

He will speak at 7 p.m. every evening. The Belle Glade Alliance Church is located at 425 E. Canal St. N.

#### Missionary speaks at Belle Glade Alliance Church

George Nuss and his wife, Doris, missionaries in Guinea, West Africa will be at the Belle

West Africa will be at the Belle Glade Alliance Church of the Christian and Missionary Alliance from Feb. 7 to Feb. 8. Mr. Nuss will speak to the congregation each evening beginning at 7 p.m.

The Belle Glade Alliance Church is located at 425 E. Canal Street N. Everyone is invited to attend and learn of his missionary work in West his missionary work in West

#### Belle Glade Student Receives Degree

Missouri Western State College has announced that Napoleon Floyd Key, of Belle Glade, has earned a Bachelor nce Degree in Computer Information S

#### Spring is on the way

Spring Camp will be held at the Belle Glade Teen Center during Spring Break, March 26 through April 2. Daily activities will include, movies, field trips, arts and craft classes and computer classes

Registration applications are available at the Belle Glade Teen Center. The cost is \$20 for the first child and \$15 for the second with a \$10 charge for any additional child.

Space is limited for this pro-

space is limited for this program so reserve your spot by turning in your application and fees by Friday, March 19.
Registration is on a first come, first served basis.
For more information call 992-5399.

#### Glades Boys and Girls going to the Super **Bowl Youth Clinic**

The Belle Glade Teen Club sent 25 teenagers to the NFL Superbowl XXXIII Youth Football Clinic.

Fifty NFL superstars were on hand to teach foot-ball and life skills.

The clinic was held on aturday, Jan. 23 at St. The came Saturday, Jan. 23 at Manager University at 25 parti p.m. Also all 25 partici-pants attended the NFL Experience on Saturday, Jan. 23 at Pro Player Stadium.

Teen club members attending the clinic were: Tiffany Stewart, Javonte Mottley, Christopher

Boatwright. Monjarez, Leonard Bothen, Gilbert Isaac, Ransford-Jones, Jar Terrion Howard, Jones, Jar Terrion Howard, Darryll Patterson, Jr. Lordero Gibson, Dysarius Pettigrew, LqRhonda Booth, Larry Walker, Corey Federick, Samuel Green, Jamorris Walker, Leroy Weatherspoon, Jeffrey Weatherspoon, Jeffrey Nary, Jose R. Garcia, Doniel Woodard, David Stewart and Jacoby Ford. Staff attending include:

Charles Dowers and Ricky

# Elementary school receives grant for reading program.

The Education Partnership of Palm Beach County, Inc. awarded 12 educational proawarded 12 educational pro-grams with License for Learning grants. These pro-grams are designed and imple-mented by teachers in Palm Beach County public schools. Pioneer Park Elementary was awarded a grant for their Summer Reading Time Fun aroreram.

program.

All third graders in the Glades will participate in the summer time reading program at the local public libraries.

Students will be transported

for a tour, issued a library card and registered for the summ

program.

Those who reach the goal of 10 hours of reading will receive t-shirts and special recognition from both the library and the

school.

The grant program is open to all public school teachers in Palm Beach County.

Applications are submitted and reviewed by members of the Education Partnership board of directors. Programs are selected based on such crieface as its surposes and cealering as its surpose and cealering

teria as its purpose and goals, potential for successful accomplishment, program activities, evaluation and accountability process, detailed budget, the ability to utilize existing community resources and establish multiple funding sources and the ease of replication at other schools. This year's grant amounts ranged from \$500 to The Education Partnership is

a non-profit, 501 (c) (3) edutional foundation. Its mission

to serve the citizens of Palm to serve the citizens of Palm Beach Country as the major pri-vate sector advocate for unity elementary and secondary pub-lic school education. It identi-fies, promotes and fosters inno-vative, sensible and effective education policies, program and techniques through the mobilization of public-private partnerships, community col-laboration and private-sector resources.

sources. The License for Learning Grant Program is sponsored by the Education Partnership of Palm Beach County, Inc. using Palm Beach County, Inc. using funds collected by the State of Florida from the sales of educa-tion license plates in Palm Beach County

Grants are awarded three



attending were nie Lee DuBose a Pahokee Garden



Thirty-eight students from the Cross Country Team and Fitness club enjoyed an awesome day at St. Thomas University. The NFL Experience had over 50 NFL top player names at drill stations teaching basic skills and lessons in life. Some issues were Say No To Drugs and Gangs, discipline, importance of staying school, listening and being a team player.

Nat Moore (former NFL Dolphin player) organized the event with Warren Moon as a special speaker. The students received free T-shirts, game bags with cards, bottles and posters Ellen Smith would personally like to thank Orsenigo Farms for donating two vans. She would like to also thank the parents who chaperoned the event, Javier Almazan, Janet Lewis, Paul and Susie Orsenigo and Relidest Int.

#### Glades ARC training apprenticeship program begins second year

The Training Apprenticeship Program (TAP), a collaborative pilot project of Glades Area ARC, St. Lucie ARC and New Directions Inc. of Miami, has been funded by the Florida Developmental Disabilities been funded by the Florida Developmental Disabilities Council, Inc. for the 1999 year. Other funders also contribute in each area to maintain the program, including the United Way of Palm Beach County for the Glades Area ARC nowarm

or raim began County of the Glades Area ARC program. For its joint efforts in developing and implementing this innovative and replicable pilot program the Glades ARC and St. Lucie ARC each received The President's Award for the Association. The Presidents Award for the Association for Retarded Citizens of Florida at its 1998 Annual Meeting in Orlando. The program began with a 300 hour curriculum taught at Palm Beach Community Caller City City Company. College - Glades Campus, This

integrated and community inclusive component brought the Supported Employment client into the mainstream of education for career advancement

Glades ARC's curriculum is Glades ARC's curriculum is geared for the Glades commu-nity and this special needs pop-ulation and has built-in flex-bility to address the presenting needs of the adult student. Beyond the curriculum, the environment fosters a sense of belonging and a rise of self-esteem consistent with that of an incoming freshman to a coll-lege setting. lege setting.

lege setting.

The second phase of TAP is apprenticeship, volunteer placement or paid employment. The collaborative effort described between agencies to pilot this program extends at this point to a collaboration between each agencies of the point of t

employers in the community.
The conventional Supported
Employment model is applied
when the client is job-placed, using a job coach in the employment setting at no expense to the employer to ensure quality work during the new employee training period. For the Glades area the

greatest new impact on the Supported Employment model is the Federal Wages Program. As this "Welfare to Work" pro-gram has enticed more people out into the job market it has significantly increased the

out into the job market. It as significantly increased the competition for entry level-jobs. TAP is a program intended to respond to this challenge, pro-viding a higher skill level for its participants and making them more competitive candi-dates for the current job market. For more information on TAP call 996-9583.



Dr. Herb Chapman and his wife Muncy were at the Belle Glade-Branch Library for a book signing on Saturday, Jan. 30. Dr. Chapman is a professor emeritus of the University of Florida, where he served for 28 years conducting research to improve the Florida cattle Industry. Muncy Chapman is pursuing a career in citrus and nursery management and has won numerous awards for her poetry, stories and articles for newspapers and magazines. They have released their new book Wingrass Country. This book is a first in a series of "Florida Pioneer" books to be release by Wingrass Country. This book is a first in a series of "Florida Pioneer" books to be release by Wingrass Country. This book is a first in a series if in first Florida in 1836, a time when most of the peninsula was lush and untamed and when it was common sense to carry a gun stall times.



#### Fish and game scholarship opportunity for students

Calling all classroom teachers, non-formal-educators, park rangers, horticalturalists, animal experts, nature lovers and community, volunteers in South Florida.

Fourthous education is part of

South Florida.

If outdoor education is part of your life and you want to create locally-based opportunities for young people to learn about the environment. Project Wild has something special to affer you.

environment. Project Wild has something special to effer you. Sponsored by the Florida Game and Fresh Water Fish Commission, Project Wild is a nationally recognized curricu-lum designed for educators of hinduractors through the 18th kindergarten through twelfth grade. It provides hands-on activities that enhance learn-ing in all subject and skill areas, as well as effective methods to teach problem solv-ing and design, making ing and decision-making.

Now, funding is available for up to 20 interested individuals to participate in weekend workshops during the coming-year. Free of charge!

ear. Free of charge!
All you have to do is contact
the Project Wild office and sign up for the following two week-ends-but hurry, space is filling

Rebruary 26-28 Project Wild Outdoor Weekend-Everglades Youth Camp, West Paim Beach 870 registration fee (free with scholarship) covers food, tedging and all materials. Workshop starts Friday morn-ing and ends sunday afternoon. March 26-28 Annual Conference of LEEF the Legue of Environmental Educators in Florida.

Educators in Florida:
Live Oak, Pla. S)100 egistration fee (free with scholarship)
covers food, lodging and all
materials. Conference starts
Friday morning and ends
sunday afternoon. By participating in these two weekend
events; you will become part of
a local advisory group of educators who will have a direct
impact on the quality of environmental education programs
in your area, The Project Wild
state office will assist you in
using the materials and
resources gained during these
workshops to ehance educaworkshops to enhance educa-tional activities in your local communities and natural

In exchange for your com-mitment to participate in this

#### Navy Senior Chief Petty Officer Anthony A. Jones

Navy Senior Chief Petty Officer Anthony A. Jones, son of Arthur L. Jones of Belle Glade is currently halfway through a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific and Indian Oceans and Arabian Gulf, while assigned to the fast combat support ship USS Rainier, home ported in Bremerton, Washington.

During the deployment, Jones and fellow crew members have participated in Operation Desert Fox in which U.S. forces launched retailatory missile attacks on military installations in Iraq. The attacks were made Navy Senior Chief Petty

Iraq. The attacks were made after President Saddam Hussein refused to allow U.N. teams to inspect Iraq for weapons of mass destruc-

Jones' ships main mission is to support the fleet through underway replen-ishment. The ship transports bulk petroleum products from shore depots directly to other auxiliary ships or com-bat forces underway. 'Jones' ship is capable of carrying more than 150,000 barrels of fuel, 625 tons of ordinance, 360 tons of dry provisions and 60 tons of refrigerated

USS Rainier gives battle group commanders the capa-bility, flexibility and mobili-

ty to sustain deployed forces underway for long periods. The 1978 graduate of Glade Central High School joined the Navy in August

group, you will receive continued support from the state office in sustaining your local projects, contacts with other like-minded deucators in your area and inclusion in a statewide network of environmental educators and leaders. What else will you get in exchange, for your commitment? Copies of the English version and newly-released Spanish language version of the Project Wild activity guide (k-12), copies of the new Everglades Curriculum for Middle School, one year's membership in LEEF, eligibility for hundreds of dollars in environmental education grant money for your project, lots of great information and interaction with the natural world and best of all great friends. Call today and get involved.

For more information, contact Carrie Hamby at 850-488-4679 or write to:

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Project Wild
FI Game and Fresh Water
Fish Commission
620 S. Meridian St. see, Fla. 32399-1600

#### Daniel P. Scott

Marine Cpl. Daniel P. Scott, on of Jack E. Scott of Belle clade recently completed sus-ainment training in Hawaii son of Jack E. Scott of Belle Glade recently completed sustainment training in Hawaii while assigned to the 13th Marine Expeditionary Unit Methods of the USS Boxer amphibious Ready Group (ARG). During the training, Scott and fellow Marines refreshed basic akills in performing helicopter raids, patrolling, jungle warfare, tactical air control, demolitions training, fire support training and live-fire training. Scotts unit is an expeditionary intervention force with the ability to rapidly organize combat operations in virtually any environment. MEUs are composed of more than 2,000 personnel and are divided into an infantry station, an aircraft squadron, a support group and a command element.

He is a 1995 graduate of Glades Day School.





Local recording artists Donnie Buress, Steve Compton, Long John, Phil Haire and Bill Dixon preforming at the South Florida Fair in West Palm Beach.



Members of Glades Central's Criminal Justice Academy gave ther Presentation of Colors at Monday night's Bella Glade City Commission meeting.



#### Belle Glade man sentenced to 39 years in murder case

By Minday Saunders
Clewiston News Reporter
Jorge Ginisbra, 40, the Belle
Glade man convicted offidnappig and second degree murder
in the killing of Jahnes G.
Woodling, was sentenced last
week in Circuit Court to 472.7
State Prison months (39.39years) in Florida State Prison.
Giniebra was found guilty as

years) in Florida State Prison.
Giniebra was found guilty as
charged on December 18 in the,
January 11, 1997, slaying of
the 63-year-01 Woodling.
The State, represented by
Assistant State Attorneys
Amira Dajani Swett and
Anthony Kunasek, laid out a
case for the jury that described
a drug deal gone wrong.
Despite a mainly circumstandrug deal gone spite a mainly circ tial case, it was enough for the

pury.

Evidence included Giniebra having been the last, person.

Woodling was seen alive with; Giniebra and two other men having been seen at a camp site near Fisheating Creek in near Fisheating Creek in Glades County, where Woodling's headless body was found; and audio tapes of the kidnappers' calls to Gladys King, Woodling's girlfriend.

At one point in the tapes
Woodling says to one of his kidnappers "It's up to you, Jorge."
Three days later, Woodling's
headless body was found in a
shallow grave near Fisheating
Creek in Glades County by law ent officers.

Giniebra was arrested on June 3, 1997, by Florida Department of Law

Enforcement after a joint investigation by their agency, the Hendry County Shariffs. Office, the Glades County Sheriff's Office, the Glades County Sheriff's Office, the State Attorney's Office and the FBI.

The state claims Giniebra, who admitted being at the scene but not te killing Woodling, was a principal in the slaying.

Family and friends pack courtroom.

ourtroom.

Despite the tearful pleas of Despite the tearril piess of family members and the pastor of the Baptist Church in Belle Glade before the court. Circuit Judge John S. Carlin first denied a motion for a cquital or a motion for a new trial by defense, attorney James

Cassidy. Judge Carlin asked those persons in the courtoom who wished to speak on Giniebra's behalf to come for Giniebra's father, who ca Giniebra's father, who came to this country with his family from Cuba in 1969 pleaded through an interpreter for the Judge to recognize that his son was not a violent man. His three step-daughters, whose words could barely be heard over their sobs, told the Judge what a good father he was. The convicted man's wife was

The convicted man's wife was among the 11 speakers whose inconsolable grief was evident.

"He could not have done

this," she said.

The Pastor of the First
Baptist Church in Belle Glade,

spoke movingly of Giniebra's conversion a year and a half ago and implored the Judge to be lenient to this man who has been a good son and a good father. I'm asking God and you't be lenient, 'he said. 'Please have mercy on him.'

And Giniebra 'himself, who had rëmained silent during his trial, spoke at last' saying, 'I wish! Could say I'm sorry, but I didn't do it. I feel bad to be contied of something I hadn't

victed of something I hadn't

Judge upholds verdict
But Judge Carlin upheld the
jury's verdict and its clear message: Giniebra was a principal in the murder. His sentence of in the murder. riss sentence of 472.7 State Prison months on each count of kidnapping and second degree murder will run

concurrently.

The jury and the Judge had heard testimony that claimed heard testimony that claimed from the parking lot of the Sugar Cane Growers Co-op in Belle Glade, Palm Beach County, because he failed to pay \$18,000 for a kilo of cocaine he purchased from Giniebra.

he purchased from Giniebra.
According to testimony,
Woodling was taken to a trailer
on S.R. 80 and held for ransom.

on S.R. 80 and held for ransom.

Armando Martinez is scheduled to go to trial on February 9 on the same charges. Second-degree murder and kidnapping are both first-degree felonies punishable by life in prison. The third man believed to be involved in the murder has not yet been charged.

#### GFC offers bonus for license buyers

(GFC) is offering incentives to 5-year freshwater fishing license buyers during February and March.
Purchasers of a 5-year

freshwater license not only will get five years of fish-ing privileges, but also will receive a bonus package with product samples and magazines valued at more than \$40 and nearly \$500 in special offers and

In addition, the license will be an embossed plas-tic card instead of paper.

Five year licenses can be purchased at tax collector's offices statewide for \$61.50 or by calling in 1-888-FISH-FLORIDA (347-

4356).
A \$3.95 surcharge added for using the tollfree license line.

The GFC has offered this
promotion since 1997 with

Spinner

The Game and Fresh help from bait and tackle Vater Fish Commission manufacturers, boat and manufacturers, boat and electronics dealers, out-doors publishers and others who are interested in promoting recreational recreational angling.

"This is a limited oppor-

tunity to get a great selec-tion of free lures, maga-zines and other goodies as well as five years of fish-ing privileges," said GFC's Bob Wattendorf. "The promotion also benefits the GFC because it enables us to use the money for fish

and wildlife programs."

Sponsors providing samples in this year's promotion as Bass Anglers Sportsman Society, Ber-kley, Bullet Weights, Daiichi Hooks, Florida Wildlife Magazine, Florida
Fishing and Boating
Magazine, the North Wildlife Magazana, and Boating about Gressor, and Rosaling about Gressor, web Magazine, the North promotion visit its web American Fishing Club, site at Phantom Tackle, Wazp http://www.state.fl.us/gfccninner Baits, /fishing

Shakespeare and Bass Magazine.

Magazine... Sponsors providing special offers and discounts include Bass Pro Shops, Carlson Tackle, Champion Boats, Florida Sportsman Magazine, International Game Fish Association, Larsen Publishing, Motor Guide. Ocean Wave Guide, Ocean Wave Sunglasses, Outdoor World

Magazine and Zebco.

Purchasers of lifetime licenses and 5-year combithat nation · licenses include freshwater fishing privileges are eligible for this promotion.

In addition, 5-year and

lifetime licenses automatically cover any fee increas-es that may occur before the license expires.

For more information about GFC's 5-year license information

# Pahokee Chamber of Commerce Banquet held this Friday

The Pahokee Chamber of ter season.

Commerce and Main Street Shirley and Dot of the
will hold their Annual Award Chamber and Tina

Banquet and Silent Auction Provenzale and her talented on Friday, Feb. 5 at 6:30 p.m. Excitement has been build-

assistants are busy creating a clever array of decorations. The theme this year is "Dream Big" and the groups

fully intend to push towards that theme through the year of 1999!!

or 1999!!
Reservations can still be made by calling the Pahokee Chamber of Commerce at 924-5579. The cost is \$25 per person but you better hurry!!



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**Exhibits - Demonstrations** 

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# Ways to help teach children kindness

(NAPSA)-Given the increasing violence that children are subjected to in today's world, teaching kids humanity may be more impor-

ant tann ever.

A variety of educational materials that parents and teachers can use to help children learn respect for living things is available from the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA).

Teaching children humans children in the control of the control of

Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA).
Teaching children humane education has been part of ASPCA programs since 1916. Over the past several years, the organization's Humane Education Department has distributed classroom materials to approximately 20,000 schools and teachers across the coun-

try.
"Many psychologists and educators agree that kids learn how to treat people by first learning to respect animals and the world

around them, says ASPCA Senior Vice President and Science Advisor Dr. Stephen Zawistowski. Humane education is a primary way to foster children's compassion toward each other and animals and help them to learn the consequences of their actions.

the consequences of their actions."

Parents can help their children's schools receive the ASPCA teaching materials and promote humane education in their schools and communities. For a donation of \$20 through the "Adopt A School" program, the ASPCA will send learning materials in the name of the chosen teacher or school. Special opportunities are available to sponsor multiple classrooms, schools or school districts. Please call 212 876-7700 ext. DOGS (3647). The humane education materials offered by the ASPCA include: ASPCA include

· Kids, Animals and Literature is a compre

hensive bibliography with more than 450 annotated entries of age-appropriate books (pre-K and up) that empower children and focus on positive themes about animals. Fun animal facts and activities such as the Dog Bite Prevention Activity Sheet are included.

Web of Life is a classroom curriculum of hands-on activities and role-playing designed to teach children about the link between people, animals and the environment. Each kit comes with a teacher's guide, student handout copy masters, and an audiocassette to introduce the activities. Available for grades K-3 and 4-6. and 4-6.

 The Spanish Language Program (Yo Quiero A Los Animales) is designed to appeal to Spanish-speaking, children in grades K-3.
 This kit features 30 hands-on activities that promote humane attitudes in young children.

It is available in English/Spanish and Spanish/Spanish editions.

• ASPCA Animaland Classroom is a specially designed fresource packet for teachers and other educators that helps introduce fun activities. ities and humane education lessons into existing teacher curriculums. Subscribers will receive five humane education kits per year at a total cost of \$30. Call Heather Wallace at 212-876-7700, x 4513 for more information.

The ASPCA was founded in 1866 as the first humane organization in the Western Hemisphere. Today, the ASPCA continues to prevent cruelty and alleviate the pain, fear and suffering of animals through its nationwide education, awareness, legal and legisla-

wide education, awareness, legal and legisla-tive programs.

For more information about the ASPCA, visit their Web site at www.aspca.org.

# New kid's show gets high marks

(NAPSA)-Ghosts. Astral pro-ection. UFO's. ESP. Do they (NAPSA) Gnosts as the projection. UFO's. ESP. Do they really exist? Viewers may be able to find out on Monday nights during 1999 as So Weird, Disney Channel's new helf-hour live-action drama. half-hour live-action drama, explores these paranormal phenomena when it makes its debut. TV Guide rated it one of the top 10 best new kids'

the top 10 best new kids' shows.

Using actual reported phenomena, as well as cultural myths and folklore, the series follows the exploits of 14-year-Fiona "Fi" Phillips (Cara DeLizia), a computer-savvy kid from the fictional town of Hope Springs Colerado who has an

Springs, Colorado who has an obsession for all things weird.

So Weird chronicles Fi, her 15-year-old brother, Jack and Molly, (Mackenzie Phillips), their rock star mom, in their home on wheels a custom tour-ing bus-as they travel across the United States. A popular musician in the 70s, Molly is on a "comeback" tour and delighted that her children can travel with her. Also along for the trip

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The Mannas and the Papas.

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1991 documentary The UFO
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Pelovision Network, which
proved to be their highest rated
Friday night show since Fox's
inception. Winkler mentioned
to them his interest in developing a show for children centring around the paranormal.

So Weird is shot entirely on
location in Vancouver, British
Columbia.



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Local recording artists Donnie Buress, Steve Compton, Long John, Phil Haire and Bill Dixon preforming at the South Florida Fair in West Palm Beach.





#### Belle Glade man sentenced to 39 years in murder case

By Minday Saunders
Clewiston News Reporter
Jorge Giniebra, 40, the Belle
Globe man convicted of Linkapig and second degree murder
in the killing of James G.
Woodling, was sentenced hast
week in Circuit Court to 472.7
State Prison months (39.39
years) in Florida State Prison.
Giniebra was found multy as

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Giniebra was found guilty as
charged on December 18 in the
January 11, 1997, slaying of
the 63-year-old Woodling.
The State, represented by
Assistant State Attorneys

The State, represented by Assistant State Attorneys Amira Dajani Swett and Anthony Kunasek, laid out a case for the jury that described a drug deal gone wrong. Despite a mainly circumstantial case, it was enough for the

jury.
Evidence included Giniebra having been the last person Woodling was seen alive with; Giniebra and two other men having been seen at a camp site near Fisheating Creek in Glades County where Woodling's headless body was found; and audio tapes of the kidnappers' calls to Gladys King, Woodling's guiffriend.

At one point in the tapes foodling says to one of his kidappers "It's up to you, Jorge."

Three days later, Woodling's

headless body was found in a shallow grave near Fisheating Creek in Glades County by law enforcement officers ent officers.

Giniebra was arrested on June 3, 1997, by Florida Department of Law

Enforcement after a joint investigation by their agency, the Hendry County Sheriffs Office, the Glades County Sheriff's Office, the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office, the State Attorney's Office and the FBI.

the FBI.

The state claims Giniebra, who admitted being at the scene but not to killing, Woodling, was a principal in the slaying.

Family and friends pack countrows

Family and friends pack courtroom.
Despite the tearful pleas of family members and the pastor of the Baptist Church in Belle Claids before the court, Circuit Judge John S. Carlin first denied a motion for acquital or a motion for a new trial by defense, attorney James Cassidy Cassidy.

Judge Carlin asked those Judge Carlin asked those persons in the courtoom who wished to speak on Giniebra's behalf to come forward. Giniebra's father, who came to this country with his family from Cuba in 1969 pleaded from Cuba in 1909 pleaned through an interpreter for the Judge to recognize that his son was not a violent man. His three step-daughters, whose words could barely be heard over their sobs, told the Judge

over their sobs, told the Judge what a good father he was. The convicted man's wife was among the 11 speakers whose inconsolable grief was evident. "He could not have done

this," she said.

The Pastor of the First
Baptist Church in Belle Glade,

spoke movingly of Giniebra's conversion a year and a half ago and implored the Judge to be lenient to this man "who has been a good son and a

be lenient to this man "who has been a good son and a good father. I'm asking God and you to be lenient, 'he said. "Please have mercy on him." And Giniebra himself, who had remained silent during his trial, spoke at last saying, 'I wish I could say I'm sorry, but I didn't do it. I feel bad to be con-victed of something I hadn't victed of something I hadn't

done."
Judge upholds verdict
But Judge Carlin upheld the
Judys exclict and its clear message: Giniebra was a principal
in the murder. His sentence of
472.7 State Prison months on
each count of kidnapping and
second degree murder will run
concurrently.
The jury and the Judge had

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The jury and the Judge had
heard testimony that claimed to
Giniebra abducted Woodling
from the parking lot of the
Sugar Cane Growers Co-op in
Belle Glade, Palm Beach
County, because he failed to
pay \$18,000 for a kilo of cocaine
he purchased from Giniebra.
According to testimony,
Woodling was taken to a trailer
on S.R. 80 and held for ransom
Armando Martinez is scheduled to go to trial on February 9

uled to go to trial on February 9 same charges. Seconddegree murder and kidnapping are both first-degree felonies punishable by life in prison. The third man believed to be involved in the murder has not yet been charged.

### GFC offers bonus for license buyers

tives to 5-year freshwater fishing license buyers dur-ing February and March. Purchasers of a 5-year

freshwater license not only will get five years of fishing privileges, but also will receive a bonus package with product samples and magazines valued at more than \$40 and nearly \$500 in special offers and rebates

addition, the license will be an embossed plas-

tic card instead of paper.
Five year licenses can be purchased at tax collec-tor's offices statewide for \$61.50 or by calling in 1-888-FISH-FLORIDA (347-4356)

A \$3:95 surcharge added for using the toll-free license line. The GFC has offered this

The Game and Fresh help from bait and tackle Water Fish Commission manufacturers, boat and (GFC) is offering incen-electronics dealers, outmanufacturers, boat and electronics dealers, out-doors publishers and others who are interested in promoting recreational

angling.
"This is a limited opportunity to get a great selec-tion of free lures, magazines and other goodies as zines and other goodies as well as five years of fish-ing privileges," said GFC's Bob Wattendorf. "The pro-motion also benefits the GFC because it enables us to use the money for fish d wildlife programs.

Sponsors providing sam-ples in this year's promo-tion as Bass Anglers Sportsman Society, kley, Bullet Weights, Daiichi Hooks, Florida Wildlife Magazine, Florida Bullet Weights, Hooks, Florida Fishing and Boating Magazine, the North American Fishing Club,

Shakespeare and Bass Magazine.

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In addition, 5-year and lifetime licenses automatically cover any fee increases that may occur before

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# Pahokee Chamber of Commerce Banquet held this Friday

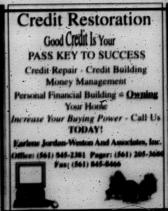
The Pahokee Chamber of ter season.

Commerce and Main Street will hold their Annual Award. Shanquet and Sinent Auction Provenzale and her talented on Friday, Feb. 5 at 6:30 p.m.

Excitement has been build assistants are busy creating as the time gist closer for the annual event of the win Dyeam Big\* and the groups

fully intend to push towards that theme through the year of 1999!!

Reservations can still be made by calling the Pahokee Chamber of Commerce at 924-5579. The cost is \$25 per person but you better hurry!!



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# Ways to help teach children kindness

(NAPSA)-Given the increasing violence that children are subjected to in today's world, teaching kids humanity may be more impor-tant than ever.

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A variety of educational materials that par-ents and teachers can use to help children learn respect for living things is available from the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA).

Teaching children humane education has been part of ASPCA programs since 1916, Over the past several years, the organization's Humane Education Department has, distrib-uted classroom materials to approximately 20,000 schbols and teachers across the coun-try.

try.
"Many psychologists and educators agree that kids learn how to treat people by first learning to respect animals and the world

around them," says ASPCA Senior Vice President and Science Advisor Dr. Stephen Zawistowski. "Humane education is a primary way to foster children's compassion toward each other and animals and help them to learn

each other and animals and help them to learn the consequences of their actions."

Parents can help their children's schools receive the ASPCA teaching materials and promote-humane education in their schools and communities. For a donation of \$20 through the "Adopt A School" program, the ASPCA will send learning materials in the name of the chosen teacher or school. Special opportunities are available to sponsor multiple classrooms, schools or school districts. Please call 212 876-7700 ext. DOGS (3647). The humane education materials offered by the ASPCA include:

\* Kids, Animals and Literature is a compre-

hensive bibliography with more than 450 annotated entries of age-appropriate books (pre-K and up) that empower children and focus on positive themes about animals. Fun animal factis and activities such as the Dog Bite Prevention Activity Sheet are included.

Web of Life is a classroom curriculum of hands-on activities and role-playing designed to teach children about the link between people, animals and the environment. Each kit comes with a teacher's guide, student handout copy masters, and an audiocassette to introduce the activities. Available for grades K-3 and 4-6. and 4-6.

4-6. The Spanish Language Program (Yo Quiero A Los Animales) is designed to appeal to Spanish-speaking children in grades K-3. This kit features 30 hands-on activities that promote humane attitudes in young children.

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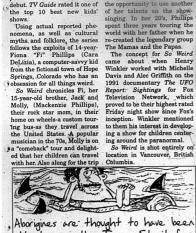
## New kid's show gets high marks

(NAPSA)-Ghosts. Astral projection. UPO's. ESP. Do they really exist? Viewers may be able to find out on Monday nights during 1999 as So Wetrd, Disney Channel's new half-hour live-action drama, explores these paranormal phenomena when it makes its debut. TV Guide rated it one of the top 10 best new kids' shows.

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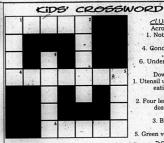
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#### **POINTS STANDINGS**

WINSTON CUP Jeff Gordon, 5,328 Mark Martin, 4,964 Dale Jarrett, 4,619 Rusty Wallace, 4,501 Jeff Burton, 4,415 Bobby Labonte, 4,180 Jeremy Mayfield, 4,157 Dale Earnhardt, 3,928 Terry Labonte, 3,901 Bobby Hamilton, 3,786

Earnhardt J tt Kenseth, McLaughlin ndy LaJoie, on Sawyer.

#### TOP TEN

Weekly rankings by NASCAR This Week writer Monte Dutton. Last

1. Jeff Gordon (1) ants Shootout amends

2. Mark Martin (2) Determined as always
3. Dale Jarrett (3)

Two 500 victories
4. Rusty Wallace (4)
Fastest in testing
5. Jeff Burton (5) Breakout year?

6. Bobby Labonte (6)

7. Jeremy Mayfield (7) Wants to keep getting b 8. Dale Earnhardt (8) Ready to roll again
9. Terry Labonte (9)
Things look better
10. Bobby Hamilton (10)
Not much history at beach

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Baytona Beach, Fla.

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#### FEUD OF THE WEEK Jeff Gordon vs. John Bickford

Published reports hinted nat relations are not the best etween Gordon and the tepfather who molded him ito a three-time Winston Cup

to a three-time waters, when the hampion.

NASCAR This Week's wonte Dutton gives his upinion: "What a bogus story sicklord was hard on Jeff when his stepson was making is way through the open-wheel ranks. Jeff felt some resentment on occasion. What lather and son never had such strain? The bottom line is that Bickford helped make Gordon



the great champion he is, and Jeff is grateful for his stepfa-ther's positive positive effect on his car Jeff is now

responsible for his own life. Isn't that what being an adult is all about?"



#### THE WINSTON C.UP CIRCUIT

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COMING UP: The Bud Shootout WHERE: Daytona International Speed-way, Daytona Beach, Fla. WHEN: Sunday, Feb. 7 DEFENDING CHAMPION: Rusty Wal-lace.

LAST YEAR'S EVENT: Walls LAST YEAR'S EVENT: Wallace took advantage of a controversial restart to speed away from Jeff Gordon, then the leader, at the end. Gordon was slow coming up to speed and, despite protests, NASCAR allowed the ragged tart to stand.

restart to stand.

FORMAT: The program consists of two events. The field for the Shootout is derived from 1998 pole winners. The drivers who led second-round qualifying in at least one event last year are included in a preliminary race, with the winner triansferring into the Shootout. Both races are 25 laps, and both require

a mandatory green-flag pit stop for right-side tires between laps 40 and 12. HISTORY: This race has been held every year since 1975, but it was known as the Busch Clash until last year, when the pseliminary qualifying race and the mandatory pit stops were added. ALSO THIS WEEKEND: The first two positions in the Daytona 500 field will be determined in time trials on Saturday, Feb. 5.

AFTER THE SHOOTOUT: Following the two 25-lap races on Sunday, Daytona will hold its arinual 200-mile race for drivers from the Automobile Racing Club of America (ARCA).

NEW PROVISIONS
A minor NASCAR adjustment to the

rules governing provisional starting spots will limit the ability of ex-Winston

Cup champions to make fields this year.
An ex-champion — the category includes Jeff Gordon, Terry Laborte, Dale Earnhardt, Rusty Wallace, Bill Elliott and Darrell Waltrip — now has his potential uses of the provisional limited for the first time. However, as long as the driver's car owner remains among the top 25 in the points standings, eight such starks would not be counted against his team:
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The only way the rule will come into play is if a driver, like Waltrip last year, needs to use an excessive number of provisionals to secure positions in starting fields.
Waltrip feels he should not need as

many because of an off-season change that saw him move to a new Ford team owned by Travis Carter.

# **Rusty Wallace**



Rusty Wallace talks with crew member Jeff Thousand.

By Monte Dutton
NASCAR This Week
A year ago when Rusty
Wallace won the Bud
Shootout, it was symbolic of
the end of the veteran driver's
jinx at Daylona and Talladega,
NASCAR's fastest tracks.
Wallace went on to finish fifth
in both Winston Cup races at
Davlona International Speedin both winston Cup races at Daytona International Speed-way. His average finish was 12.25 at the tracks, which had been his Achilles' heel. He started 13th in last year's Bud Shootout, ran up

year's Bud Shootbut, ran up front throughout and emerget the winner, besting Jeff Gor-don in a controversial restart. Wallace turned in the fastest speed during presea-son testing at Daytona.

HOMETOWN: St. Louis,

AGE: 42

Racing South.

CAREER FIRSTS: Start (March 16, 1980, at Atlanta), pole (June 26, 1987, at Mich gan), win (April 6, 1986, at Bristol).

WIFE: Patti CHILDREN: Greg, Katie,

Stephen
CAR: No. 2 Miller Lite Ford
Taurus, owned by Penske
Racing South.

goal is to return to Daytona with two cars (one for the Shootout, another for the 500) that are identical. We're hopthat are identical. We're hop-ing to take them off the truck and be able to run the same speed with both of them. At least that's the goal. It seems like there's always one car that's a tick faster or just han-dles a wee bit better." HOW DID YOU GET YOUR PERFORMANCE

the job done on the big tracks. I've said all along that, if we had the right stuff, we could race with them. Well, thanks to a lot of work by our guys in finding the necessary horsepower and thanks to better aerodynamics, we have what we need, and it's really sating to pay off,"
HOW DID YOU FEEL WHEN DAY TON SOU JINX TO REST LAST YEAR? "I was so proud to see Dale win the race last year because he's been chassing that se for so long. Well, finally, he caught his big fish that kept getting away, and now it's our turn to get us a Daytona 500 win. That's whât we're shooting for." AROUND THE GARAGE

Dear NASCAR This Week, In regard to (an earlier ques-tion), you didn't answer why Chrysler dropped out of racing. I'd like to see the answer week! to see if it's the same one

Chrysler dropped out of racing.

I'd like to see the answer myself, to see if it's the same one I've heard all these years—how MASCAR had to have a certain bow-tie company involved in racing in order to survive and that it would never let Chrysler dominate NASCAR Again.

If this is, the answer, do you have the (gust) to say it? The only way the "bow tie" could be competitive is to change the rules to fit them. The gas erunch was just a way to do it at the time.

Terry Yaughn
New Castle, Ind.

Dear Terry,
What you say may be true, but we can't prove it and don't think you can either.

Dear NASCAR This Week, I was wondering how Mark Martin has been doing since, his surgery. Is he still going to drive (in the Busch Grand National)? He's my favorite driver. Shirl Lary Albemarle, N.C.

Dear Shirl,

Martin did not have surgery.
His doctors advised against it. He
remains in some pain, but plans to
continue HMS active schedule in Winston Cup, Busch Grand National and IROC.

If you've got a question or a comment, write: NASCAR This Week Your Turn, c/o The Gaston Gazette, 2500 E. Franklin Blvd., Gastonia, N.C. 28054

■ Only one driver who will be in the Daytona. 500 raced at Daytona last week. Emie Irvan co-drove a BMW in the Rolex 24. Will that give Irvan any kind of atwantage? Probably onto BMW in the Stoke William of the Ward and will be a former 500 winner, and it may at least give him a psychological lift coming off an injury-plagued season.

# Racing teams agree to share information, work together

TURNED AROUND AT DAY-TONA? "We finally have the

competitive equipment to get the job done on the big tracks. I've said all along that,

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The latest cooperative effort
between Cup teams is an agreement between Travis Carter
Enterprises (Jimmy Spencer/Darrell Waltrip) and Melling Racing,
(Jerry Nadeau) to share technical
information and work together on
performance development.
Pro Motor Engineering also
provides engines for both teams.
BIDING HIS TIME: In the
absence of a full-time ride, driver
Tom Hubert will begin the season
as a tric changer on the pit crew
of Sleve Park.
Hubert, considered a road-racing specialist in some quarters.

has made occasional starts in both the Cup and Craftsman Truck Senses. Hubert has agreed to help Park for the time being, while a permanent tire changer is trained. If Kurt Rochrig gets a sponsor to run a limited schedule of Cup races, Hubert stands to be his driver.

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ahead, the track will open with seating for 75,000, with plans for hosting three NASCAR series (Cup. BKN and SperTrincks) and the Indy Raging League. The project's general manager is fix team owner Dud's yone. The construction site is adjacent to the existing Route 66 Raceways home of the NHRA's Fram Nationals drag-racing meet. HIGH-ROLLING IN VEGAS: Never one to leave well benough alone, Bruton Smith has already started tinkering with his latest Speedway Motoraports acquisition. Las Vegas Motor Speedway.



already moved 25,000 cubic yards of soil to create an access ramp and a berm in turn three to facilitate additional seating. The track will seat 125,000 by the time the Las Vegas 400 is run on March 7. IROC LINEUP: This year's

IROC LINEUP: This year's lineup for the International Race of Champions consists of Jeff Gordon, Mark Martin, IRS-champion Kenny Brack, CART's Greg Moore, Indy 500 winner Eddie Cheever, Rusty Wallace, Al Unser Jr., Dale Jarrett, Dale Earnhardt, Johe Larrhardt Jr., Jeff Button and CART's Adrian Fernandez. The first of four races will be held Feb. 12 at Daytona.

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